



Innovation Grants 2011-2012				
School	Teacher	Project Title / Description	# Students Served	Budget
Westfield Community School	Michelle Soland	Summer Brain Stimulus: Six week summer school bridge program for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders using methods designed to improve visual spatial reasoning, memory retention, critical thinking and coordination.	Grade 3 - 5	\$396
Lakewood School	Neena Masterson, Amy Griffiths, Nichole Murphy	Sole Survivor: After school reading program designed to foster a love for reading. High-interest nonfiction stories about tales of true-life adventures with a survival theme are used.	5th and 6th grade students who struggle with reading.	\$400
Neubert Elementary School	Luc Miron	Game On! Anchor Activities to Enhance Student Support: Program which helps students become more self-directed learners by providing "anchor activities". These classroom activities allow for students to maximize downtime in ways that provide structure and learning opportunities.	Grade 3 vocabulary, phonics and math	\$493
Sleepy Hollow Elementary School	Rebecca Meyer	School and Community Frisbee Golf Course: Specially designed course serves for Frisbee Golf and also for mile run fitness testing during physical education classes. The course would also be used for the "Mileage Club" which rewards students for completing laps during recess.	Grades K - 5	\$499
Neubert Elementary School	Carol Anderson	Summer Reading Library: Provides students finishing Kindergarten and 1st grade with reading material for their specific reading level to use over the summer. These beginning reader books are not easily available at book stores and libraries.	Grades K - 1	\$500
Parkview Elementary School	Nikki Zolotar	Tag! You can Read!: Provides Leapfrog's Tag Readers and storybooks to be used for strengthening pre-reading and reading skills in conjunction with the Kindergarten curriculum	Kindergarten	\$499
Dundee Crown High School	Scott McNees	Improved Technology for Precise Data Collection: Allows students to successfully analyze results of experiments they design and carry out on their own.	All Dundee Crown Physics and Astronomy students	\$497
Algonquin Lakes Elementary School	Megan Pankau	Multisensory approaches to Increasing Reading Comprehension: This program consists of a variety of multi-sensory tools which engage two or more senses that teachers can utilize within the classroom to improve language skills and academic outcomes.	Grades K-5 ELL, at-risk and special needs students	\$498



Carpentersville Middle School	Michael Kasper	Two Teachers, One Person, An Endless Classroom: With the use of an iPad, extra music instruction is provided through video, internet exploration and "app" devices that aid in the instruction of instrumental music.	CMS band and orchestra students	\$499
H.D. Jacobs High School	Pierre Thorsen	Dry Erase Board Enhancement: The use of individual dry erase boards provides the teacher with fast formative assessments in a variety of ways.	320 Jacobs students per class period	\$488
Perry Elementary School	Sharon Ignoffo	Story Videos to Promote Fluency: A document camera allows for projection of books as they are read aloud. Stories are then recorded and incorporated into images from the books so students can have stories read to them from the school library homepage.	Grades K - 4	\$499
Perry Elementary School	Barbara Malinger, Debra LaRue	CAFÉ Strategy Treasure Boxes: Treasure boxes are filled with hands-on manipulatives that can be used during whole group shared reading instruction and during small group guided reading instruction. These items anchor comprehension, accuracy, fluency and expand vocabulary.	Grades 1 - 3	\$490
Algonquin Lakes Elementary School	Kari Brandstedt	Soar Into Summer Reading!: Provides struggling first grade readers with appropriate leveled reading material throughout the summer months by mailing the books out weekly.	Grade 1	\$487
Dundee Crown High School	Michael Block	Strategy Game Club Games: Provides a fun avenue for students to learn constructive socializing skills and to practice these simple math, problem solving, analysis and memory skills as they play strategic and thought provoking games.	Grades 9 - 12	\$500
Hampshire High School	Katie Hoving, Nicole Thompson	Using Flip Cameras to Motivate Reluctant Readers: Allows students to create Book Trailers to promote what they are reading.	Grades 9 - 12	\$498
Carpentersville Middle School	Karen Savittieri	Guys Read at CMS: A web-based literacy program for boys which helps boys become self-motivated, lifelong readers by providing reading materials that are high interest and reflect characters that are more like them.	6-8th Grade boys	\$497
TOTAL				\$7,740